

BYTE BANDITS
OF AMERICA

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SUMMER CARE:

Your computers are subject to extreme weather conditions during summer weather as well as:

Low Electrical Power (Brown Out)
Heat and Direct Sunlight Damage
High Dust Conditions
Static from Low Humidity
Burglary

So now that you know a few more reasons for forgetting your computer, what should you do to prevent them? Try covering your computer when it isn't in use. Use a static discharge device. Keep your doors and windows in your computer area closed. Don't leave your equipment plugged-in to the wall unless you are using the machine. If the power is dimming your lights, etc., don't use your computer during that time period. And, of course, if you go away on a long weekend or on vacation, have your equipment's serial numbers up to date for Insurance Records.

SWAP MEETS:

I know "there is one every weekend" so I only post those I like best.

1. Exposition Hall
Santa Clara Fair Grounds
Sat. May 30, 1987 10 AM - 5 PM
2. Lockheed Bldg. 149 4:30 - 6 PM
Sunnyvale, CA. June 4, 1987

The latter is a small Lockheed event which we will attend because the Gavilan User's Group must be there. There are free booths and we can also sell our TRS-80 stuff there also. It is a captive audience. If you are interested in selling a few parcels, let me (Bob BROWN) know. Mark your goodies with your name and indicate the price you expect. We won't guarantee you a quick sale, but it's a free booth.

THANKS:

We had a good day at the SWAP on March 28. We didn't sell anything - just promoted the Club. Our goal is to pick up new members, and we did. Thanks to all who helped at the booth that day.

Model II-12-16

128 K MEMORY CARDS \$ 99.00 EA.

Ph. 415-490-5162

FRED KOVALS

Model II REPAIR (Also 12-16)

STEWART ELECTRONICS
HAYWARD, CA

FOR SALE

Model I 16K \$ 50.00 NO CASSETTE RECORDER

Model I 48K W/EXPANSION-DATA DOUBLER-RS232
\$ 200.00 NO DISK DRIVES

BOB WHEELER

NEWS:

Should you find an article of interest, or should you desire to write something for the Club Newsletters, feel free to submit it at one of our meetings, or just drop it in the mail. Also I should tell you that Mark MARKUM is our proof-reader and final type person. Every month he deciphers our handwritten information and makes it all readable. Thank you Mark for your expertise. We mail our Newsletters using 1st Class Postage, and so far, everyone gets their copy if they have active memberships.

MOVING:

Our very active Model II Library expert is moving away. He is Stephen PRAY. Thanks for reworking out Model II collection of programs, Steve. Have a good time in your new home.

TANDY CATALOG:

An updated catalog from TANDY is now available to browse through at the meetings. The Catalog is full of TANDY Equipment (new) and it has their latest prices. Also, the Model 4 is still fully supported (parts, accessories, and Programs).

SCRIPSIT:

If you converted your Model I program to your Model 4 (III Mode), you will know now that it won't work with your Printer. Yep, print ports are different. You must CONVERT all sequences of 32E837 Hexadecimal to (HEX) D3F800 within the Program. Of course, you use "DEBUG". Put C9 HEX at address 4203 to prevent the break vector from crashing the program.

SUPERSCRIPSIT TIPS:

The May '87 "80 Micro", Page 116, has a column of tips for using the DMP-420-120-105 Printers with SuperScripsit and TRSDOS 6.01 and the Model 4 Computer. You can look them over at the meetings, or read them in your "80 Micro".

SHELL18/CMD:

This Program won't work with LDOS 6.3 unless you POKE 133,98 from BASIC. The SHELL18/CMD is a Public Domain Model 4 Utility.

SUPERCROSS FIX:

SUPERCROSS.XT III Utility will not convert Model III NEWDOS 80 Sequential Files to MS-DOS Format. There is a fix to this problem; see Page 22 of "80 Micro" May '87.

POKE 16912,200:

This will allow your Model 4 in the III Mode to operate in the FAST Mode. You can incorporate it in any way you need to. Press "ENTER" once and then "BREAK" to Exit this Mode.

HARDWARE INTERFACE BOOK:

If you were wondering what to do with your old Model I or Model III, and you tinker with a soldering iron somewhat; well, we have the answer. It is "HARDWARE INTERFACING WITH THE TRS-80" Book. It is a simple experiment book that is step-by-step Project oriented. It is for Model I or III computers. Anybody interested should check it out from our book library at the next meeting. We also picked up the SAV's Book for the Model III.

32 K LIMITATIONS:

The Data Transfer Utility Program shown for the Model 100 is great. It has one small problem though: should you have your computer loaded with 32 K or more than what Radio Shack sells, (the maximum is seven 32 K modules). Well, the data transfer program will transfer only one 32 K bank. You end up with each 32 K bank module becoming a separate computer system. There doesn't seem to be any way to transfer only one 32 K bank together. You get around this small problem by shuttling from one bank of 32 K to the other. Also, your first 32 K module must be a Tandy module, or the computer's timing goes whackey. As for the program itself, it works quite well.

MODEL 1000 R.F.I.:

If you are using the Zuckerboard with your Model 1000 you may have to add one slight detail to make things work again. It seems that RFI from the CM-2 Monitor cancels, so, in order to eliminate this, put a sheet of aluminum foil between the computer and the monitor. The CM 2 monitor produces enough RFI to shut down your harddisk also. ... and they said "the Model I had RFI!".

DESKMATE II:

If you are having trouble downloading problems using "DESKMATE II" it is probably due to it not having X Modem Protocol in the Program, or any other error checking protocols. There is a Program called "X-MATE" that will solve this problem.

MODEL 102-200 PORTABLES:

"Portable Drive 2", offering twice the storage and speed, is now available: CAT. #26-3814 200K - 3.5 " Drive - 19,200 baud transfer rate.

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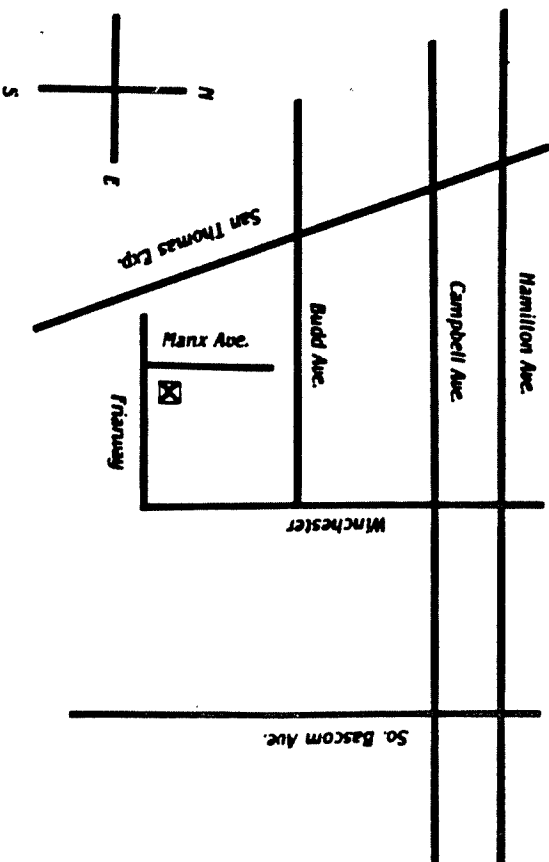
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 DEC NEW PRODUCTS- REVIEW

THIS MEETING IS A ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION OF
 THE SUBJECT OF THAT MONTH.... COME AND HELP
 THE DISCUSSION WITH YOUR KNOWLEDGE OR YOUR
 PROBLEMS.....

MEETINGS:
 2ND SAT.....1PM WORKSHOP
 4TH WED.....7PM LECTURE

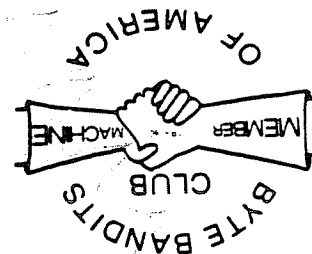
NOTES:

1. MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED
 2. GUESTS..BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
- INFORMATION...CALL 408-379-2774
 B.B.S.....CALL 408-374-3974



This club has been established to provide its members total computer knowledge using "hands-on" application during the meetings. For better understanding of existing hardware and software in an informal—social club atmosphere.

We hope to provide members close contact between novice and amateur home computer enthusiasts; young and old, male and female, school, home, business and hobbyist.



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